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THE WEEK

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Questions or Comments? City of Falls Church, Harry E. Wells Building, 300 Park Avenue, Falls Church, VA 22046 **703-248-5003 (TTY 711)**
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FOR THE WEEK OF

CITY CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

- 20** City Meals Tax Due
(Commissioner of the Revenue)
Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.
Board of Zoning Appeals, 7:30 p.m.
Environmental Services Council, 7:30 p.m.
- 21** **Yom Kippur Begins at Sundown**
- 22** Farmers Market, 8 a.m.-Noon
Commissioner of the Revenue &
Treasurer's Offices Open, 9 a.m.-Noon
Yom Kippur
- 23** **First Day of Autumn**
- 24** Yard Waste, Bundled Brush,
& Special Collections
Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.
City Council, 7:30 p.m.
Volunteer Fire Department Training, 7:30 p.m.
- 25** Juvenile & Domestic Relations
Court in Session
Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.
Board of Equalization, 7 p.m.
School Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.
- 26** General District Court in Session
Story Hour, 7 p.m.
Board of Equalization, 7 p.m.
- 27** Story Hour, 10:30 a.m.
Historic Architectural Review Board, 7:30 p.m.
- 29** Farmers Market, 8 a.m.-Noon
Commissioner of the Revenue &
Treasurer's Offices Open, 9 a.m.-Noon

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Falls Church City Personal Property Taxes Due Friday, Oct. 5, 2007

Cathy Kaye, Treasurer City of Falls Church

If you have questions about your tax bill, please call the Treasurer's Office at 703-248-5046 (TTY 711).

If you would like to pay your bill in person, the Treasurer's Office is located in Suite 103E of City Hall, 300 Park Ave.

For added convenience, the Treasurer's and the Commissioner of the Revenue's Offices will be open on Saturday, Sept. 22 and 29, from 9 a.m.-noon, to take payments and make assessment changes.

Don't forget to put your 2008 BLUE decal on your vehicle. Most bills already have the decal attached. They show the year, make and model of your vehicle.



Register for the City's Online
Newsletter at www.fallschurchva.gov



alert.fallschurchva.gov
Register to Receive Emergency Alerts

Donate Blood at Community Blood Drive Friday, Sept. 21

The City of Falls Church is hosting a community blood drive on Friday, Sept. 21. The Inova Bloodmobile will be parked outside the Community Center (223 Little Falls St.) for residents and City staff to donate blood from 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

The blood shortage is so critical right now that there is less than a one-day supply of most blood types. Please donate to help patients in our community! Most healthy people can be blood donors, but you must meet the following requirements:

Age: 17 years minimum (*no maximum limit*)

Health: Good general health – no symptoms of illness, including colds,

for three days prior to donating

Weight: 110 pounds minimum

Time: 56 days after a whole blood donation, 14 days after a platelet donation

Identification: Photo ID (such as driver's license)

Please call the City's Human Resources Office at 703-248-5127 (TTY 711) to schedule a time for your blood donation. Each donor should allow 30 to 45 minutes for the regular blood donation process. It is important to eat something, especially foods rich in iron, and drink plenty of fluids 4-6 hours before donating.

Meet the Rock Stars of Writing at "Fall for the Book"

Northern Virginia's largest and oldest celebration of literature and learning – Fall for the Book – kicks off Sunday, Sept. 23, at George Mason University and at select venues throughout Arlington, Fairfax and Loudoun Counties.

Come meet and greet favorite writers from across the country and around the world – nearly 100 in all including:

NOVELISTS: Mitch Albom, Elizabeth Berg, Rita Mae Brown, Jennifer Egan, Nathan Englander, Julia Glass, Adam Haslett, James D. Houston, Jonathan Lethem and Alice McDermott

HISTORIANS AND BIOGRAPHERS: Rick Atkinson, Scott W. Berg, Robert Dallek, Joseph Ellis, Walter Isaacson, Beverly Lowry and David Price

MEMOIRISTS: Alexandra Fuller, Bich Minh Nguyen, Susan Richards Shreve

POETS: Mark Doty, Nikki Giovanni, Claudia Rankine, and Mark Strand

CHILDREN'S BOOK AUTHOR Richard Peck

For more information and a full schedule of events, visit www.fallforthebook.org or call 703-993-3986.

Looking For A Fun Fall Activity?

Then register for one of the many classes offered by the Recreation & Parks Division. The following classes have limited space. Registration is ongoing until classes fill.

Music Together®

Mom & Me Ages (2-3 with parent)

Tiny Tunes (Ages Birth-18 months)

Preschool Dance with Me Class (Ages 2-5)

Tumbling Class (Ages 12 & under)

Super Squad Cheer Team (Ages 12 & under)

Pre-teen Hip-Hop (Ages 8-11)

Hip Hop II/III

Adult Salsa

Belly dancing (Ages 16 & up)

NEW!!! Teen belly dancing (Ages 13-18)

Yoga for Fitness

Step Aerobics

Rise and Shine Step Aerobics

Body Toning

Noon Workout

Yoga for Little Ones (Ages 18 months-3 years)

Kick Boxing Aerobics

Advanced Karate (Ages 13 & up)

Dog Obedience

For more information, visit www.fallschurchva.gov/community/recsandparks/documents/Fall07Brochure.pdf or call 703-248-5077 (TTY 711) to register.

Fall Festival and Taste of Falls Church a Perfect Pairing!

The two annual Falls Church City events drew large crowds last Saturday – in fact the Fall Festival enjoyed its largest turnout ever! The Falls Church community welcomed the new season with festivities for the whole family, including pony rides, and fabulous food prepared in City kitchens. Congratulations to Pilin Thai on its Best Overall Restaurant win at the Taste of Falls Church competition.



Classes and Events

Special Events

Victorian Fashion Exhibit

Through Sept. 23, Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Sunday noon-4 p.m.

Cherry Hill Farmhouse, 312 Park Ave.

View life in Victorian times through the clothing people wore. This special exhibit displays women's, men's, and children's clothing and accessories from all eras of the Victorian period, 1860-1910. Call 703-248-5171 (TTY 711) for more information.

Invasive Plant Removal Party

Saturday, Sept. 29, 10 a.m.-noon

Crossman Park, meet at Van Buren Street entrance
Help reduce "Green Pollution" by removing invasive plants at Crossman Park. Invasive plants are plants that have been introduced from other countries or regions that have taken over our natural areas. They spread and grow rapidly, resulting in a loss of habitat for native insects, birds, and other wildlife. Call 703-248-5016 (TTY 711) for more information.

Farm Day

Saturday, Oct. 6, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Cherry Hill Park, 312 Park Ave.

Enjoy old-fashioned activities for the entire family, including hayrides, pony rides, a petting farm, scarecrow making, pumpkin painting, beekeeping, blacksmithing, live music and more! Free tours of the 1845 Cherry Hill Farmhouse and Barn are also available. Admission is free, however nominal fees apply to some activities. Call 703-248-5171 (TTY 711) for more information.

Mary Riley Styles Library Activities

120 N. Virginia Ave.

Value Line Investment Survey Seminars

Saturday, Oct. 13, 9:30 a.m.

Monday, Oct. 15, 7:30 p.m.

The library is offering two free one-hour seminars on interpreting and using company data found on the Value Line Investment Survey. Register at the Reference Desk or call 703-248-5035 (TTY 711).



City of Falls Church
Farmers Market
Every Saturday
from 8 a.m. - Noon

Local Mentor Program Seeks Moms With Heart

Would you welcome the opportunity to make a difference in the life of a pregnant woman? Do you have what it takes to help other women plan for healthy pregnancies and stable futures? Do you have about four hours each month to share? If you answered yes to any of the above, the Naomi Project needs you!

The Naomi Project is a local non-profit that matches one volunteer with one pregnant or newly parenting woman in a mentoring friendship that extends through the pregnancy and the baby's early development.

If you would like to volunteer to be a mentor, you are invited to attend a training program on Saturday, Sept. 29 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Falls Church Presbyterian Church (225 E. Broad St.). There is a special need for Spanish-speaking volunteers. For more information, contact Pilar Jones at 703-860-2633.

Free Home Repair Services

Is your home in need of rehabilitation or repair? If the answer is yes and you find it difficult to pay for these services, RPJ Housing may be able to help you. For nearly 20 years, RPJ Housing has been providing free home repair services to limited income homeowners through its Rebuilding Together and Hearts and Hammers programs. Since 1988 more than 54,000 community members have repaired 2,100 homes and nonprofit facilities.



All the work is done for free by teams of volunteers with skills ranging from novice to professional. These dedicated community members repair floors, ceilings, walls, doors and roofs; install grab bars, railings and smoke detectors; address minor plumbing and electrical repairs; build ramps; paint; and attend to yard work.

Applications are available to homeowners living in Arlington and Fairfax counties and the cities of Falls Church and Fairfax. To qualify for these programs, residents must own and live in the home in need of repair. The income level for an individual cannot exceed \$42,000. For each additional person in the home the income level increases by increments of \$4,800-\$6,000. Priority is given to seniors and persons with disabilities.

For more information on these programs, please call RPJ Housing at 703-528-5606 ext. 16 or visit www.rpjhousing.org.

7th Annual Student Art Contest

My Favorite Place



Visit

www.fallschurchva.gov/artcontest.html for details.

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Phone Numbers

Open Gym/Weather Hotline 703-248-5125*
Special Events Hotline 703-248-5178*
Fax 703-536-5125
Senior Center 703-248-5020/21*

Community Center Hours

Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. - Midnight
Saturday 8:30 a.m. - Midnight
Sunday Noon - 6 p.m.

Open Gym Hours

Open Gym hours are updated on a bi-weekly basis and are also posted on the Open Gym Hotline, 703-248-5125*. All hours are subject to change.

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